

Attachment D – Enterprise Architecture Standard

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1. AUTHORITY

The Government Information Technology Agency (GITA) shall develop, implement and maintain a coordinated statewide plan for information technology (IT) (A.R.S. § 41-3504(A (1))), including, the adoption of statewide technical, coordination, and security standards (A.R.S. § 41-3504(A (1(a)))).

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this standard is to coordinate agency and State designs and secure¹ implementations of network infrastructure that support converged services, while accommodating traditional data, voice, and video services. It is also intended to encourage further deployment of open systems based on targeted network architectures that use common, proven, pervasive, and industry-wide standards.

3. SCOPE

This applies to all budget units. Budget unit is defined as a department, commission, board, institution or other agency of the state organization receiving, expending or disbursing state funds or incurring obligations of the state including the board of regents and the state board of directors for community colleges but excluding the universities under the jurisdiction of the board of regents and the community colleges under their respective jurisdictions and the legislative or judicial branches. A.R.S. § 41-3501(2).

The Budget Unit Chief Executive Officer (CEO), working in conjunction with the Budget Unit Chief Information Officer (CIO), shall be responsible for ensuring the effective implementation of Statewide Information Technology Policies, Standards, Procedures (PSPs) within each budget unit.

4. STANDARD

The following standards incorporate open, industry standards to provide for common, scalable, interoperable, and secure network infrastructures that support converged services, as well as accommodating traditional data, voice, and video services. These flexible standards provide the infrastructure foundation for more effective sharing of common IT resources in addition to improving quality, usefulness, and efficiency of cross-agency applications and information throughout the State.

- 4.1. Structured Cabling Systems:** Cabling installations for new buildings, major cable plant additions or modifications, building renovations or remodeling, shall

¹ Network security is addressed in *Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security*.

meet all minimum requirements and mandatory criteria addressed in Telecommunications Industry Association/Electronic Industries Association (TIA/EIA) Commercial Building Telecommunications Standards 568, 569, 606, 607, and applicable electrical codes.

- TIA/EIA 568-B.1, 2, and 3 standards specify a telecommunications cabling system for commercial buildings that will support a multi-product, multi-vendor environment.
 - The TIA standards for Commercial Building Telecommunications Cabling address cabling infrastructure design, installation and field testing for copper and fiber network horizontal cabling, backbone cabling, and work areas.
 - Target categories provide additional requirements for copper network cabling in Paragraph 4.2 and fiber network cabling in Paragraph 4.3.
- TIA/EIA standards, while providing for the acceptance of newer cabling categories through addendums, do not remove earlier cabling categories from the standards. Cabling categories before 5e do not provide the necessary capability for converged services.
- The TIA/EIA 569-A standard for telecommunications pathways and spaces addresses floor loading, ceiling, and perimeter pathways, conduit, and other aspects of routing cable throughout and between buildings for copper and fiber network horizontal cabling, backbone cabling, and work areas.
- TIA/EIA 606 standard provides a uniform administration scheme to manage telecommunication infrastructure.
- TIA/EIA 607 standard provides grounding and bonding requirements for telecommunications circuits and equipment.

4.2. **Copper Network Cabling:** Structured Cabling System installations for new buildings, major cable plant additions or modifications, building renovations or remodeling shall be Category 6 Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) as specified by TIA/EIA 568-B.2.1 Commercial Building Telecommunications Cabling Standards.

- Category 6 cabling is certified to carry up to 10Gbps of data up to 100 meters. The cabling industry, TIA, and International Organization for Standardization/International Electrotechnical Commission (ISO/IEC) support Category 6 cabling or better as the optimal choice to develop the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) 10 Gbps Ethernet standard based on the rapid growth of Category 6 cabling installations in the marketplace.
- Category 5e cabling is certified to carry up to 1 Gbps of data up to 100 meters and is acceptable for incremental additions to existing Category 5e cabling implementations.
- Category 6 link and channel requirements are backward compatible to Category 5e.
- Category 6 cabling, and existing Category 5e cabling, installed per TIA 568-B.2.1 standards, to the desktop allow most IP platform devices

requiring power to operate without supplemental AC power in accordance with IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet (PoE) requirements.

- Category 5e patch cables used to connect platform client devices to Category 6 Structured Cabling Systems where throughput performance is constrained by the platform client device interface are acceptable.
- UTP shall be used unless specific issues exist, such as high EMI or long transport distances.

4.3. **Fiber Network Cabling:** Structured Cabling System installations for new buildings, major cable plant additions or modifications, building renovations or remodeling shall be either single-mode or multi-mode, depending on requirements as specified by TIA/EIA 568-B.3 and ISO/IEC 11801:2002 Commercial Building Telecommunications Cabling Standards.

- TIA/EIA-568-B series standards specify 62.5/125 micron or 50/125 micron multi-mode fiber for horizontal subsystems and 50/125 micron or single-mode (10/125 micron.) for vertical subsystems.
 - Multi-mode fiber transmits up to 10 Gbps Ethernet a distance of approximately 35 meters (62.5/125 micron) to 300 meters (50/125 micron), depending on the specific fiber and the Ethernet port characteristics. Single-mode (10/125 micron) transmits up to 10 Gbps Ethernet a distance of 2, 10, and 40 kilometers, depending upon specifications.
 - Single-mode fiber network cabling subsystems between buildings allow up to 10 Gbps Ethernet transmission rates over greater distances, as specified by the International Telecommunication Union-Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) Series G.652 and ISO/IEC 60793 standards.

4.4. **Wireless Network Connectivity:** Shall be secure in accordance with *Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security*; firewalled from wire-based local area networks (LANs); protected using Virtual Private Network (VPN) and encryption technologies as necessary; and compliant with IEEE 802.11x (Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)), IEEE 802.15.x (Wireless Personal Area Network (WPAN)), and IEEE 802.16 (Wireless Metropolitan Area Network (WMAN)).

- *Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security*, describes minimum requirements for providing secure and seamless interconnection of communication networks and systems.
- *Statewide Standard P800-S850, Encryption Technologies*, describes minimum requirements for ensuring the authenticity, integrity, confidentiality, and reliability of digital information.
- Firewall technologies implemented at connection points between wireless and wire-based LANs reduce unauthorized access to internal networks.

- Wireless client platforms utilizing VPN technologies to access internal networks and mission-critical software applications² improve security and decrease certain vulnerabilities inherent in unprotected wireless connectivity.
 - The IEEE 802 standards enable convergence of technologies and the development of an open standards-based infrastructure for the Wireless Internet.
 - IEEE 802.11 standards form a family of specifications that define how WLAN equipment should be produced so equipment from different manufacturers can work together.
 - IEEE 802.11b and .11g standards provide 11 Mbps and 54 Mbps transmission speeds, respectively, for wireless connectivity. The IEEE 802.11f Inter Access Point Protocol ensures interoperability between access points from multiple manufacturers.
 - IEEE 802.11b and 802.11g devices can coexist in the same network, with 802.11g devices falling back to 11 Mbps speeds.
 - Security is being addressed in the transmission layer with IEEE 802.11i and at the IP applications layer with standards- and policy-based authentication and access control.
 - The IEEE 802.15.3 standard is designed for short-range (up to 50 m), very-low-power operation from 11 to 55 Mbps. 802.15.3 provides quality of service, connection management, and advanced power management modes. The IEEE 802.15.2 standard addresses coexistence between WLANs and WPANs operating in the same frequency bands.
 - The IEEE 802.16 standard addresses the “first mile/last mile” connection broadband wireless access for Metropolitan Area Networks, providing up to 155 Mbps transmission speeds. IEEE 802.16.2 provides for interoperability and coexistence of fixed broadband wireless access systems from multiple manufacturers in both licensed and unlicensed frequency bands. The IEEE 802.16 standard provides for quality of service to support the needs of different applications. IEEE 802.16 WMAN can coexist with IEEE 802.11 WLAN to provide a viable, last-mile, backhaul solution.
- 4.5. **Network Design and Implementation:** Shall include levels of redundancy, fault tolerance, and disaster recovery based on budget unit business requirements. Network design and implementation shall be scalable and interoperable, as delineated herein, and documented in accordance with *Statewide Standard P800-S815, Configuration Management*.
- Budget unit requirements for business continuity and availability of services dictate the levels of redundancy, fault tolerance, and disaster recovery that are designed and implemented in networks.
 - Scalable, interoperable network designs position budget units for incremental growth and expansion. A scalable, interoperable network

² Mission-critical software applications are those that address health, life, and safety issues; provide critical public services; or have been prescribed by legal mandates.

design allow a budget unit to minimize the costs and disruptions of expansion while providing timely and responsive network changes when and where required.

- Scalable, interoperable network designs, incorporated with planning, ensure adequate network capacity, availability, and performance to meet changing business requirements including staffing levels, software applications, and facility addition, expansion, or relocation.
- *Statewide Standard P800-S815, Configuration Management*, recommends the use of a common, automated tool for design and documentation to allow for cross-agency analysis and opportunities for sharing and consolidation.

4.6. **Network Link Layer Access Protocol:** Shall be Ethernet, IEEE 802.3, Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) Access Method.

- Ethernet is scalable, with current versions able to manage the increase of data flow and provide the bandwidth and “end-to-end” Quality of Service (QoS) necessary to support the requirements of multimedia and converged voice, data, and video applications.
- IEEE 802.3 Ethernet standards provide 10 / 100 / 1000 (1 Gbps) / 10,000 (10 Gbps) Mbps operation progressively providing higher bandwidth and improved performance.
- IEEE 802.3 standards provide an upgrade path resulting in a consistent management model across all operating speeds.
- Full-duplex mode of Ethernet allows a simultaneous flow of network traffic from one workstation to another without collision issues.
- The IEEE 802.3af PoE standard allows most IP platform devices requiring power to operate without supplemental AC power.
- Network design, installation, and maintenance costs are minimized by preserving network architecture, management, software, and structured network cabling.

4.7. **Logical Network Topology:** Shall be a star, although the physical network topology may be a star, ring, or mesh.

- Star, ring, and mesh topologies are specified to minimize the effect of connection failures between devices while easing the addition or removal of network devices.
- Star, ring, and mesh topologies are both scalable and flexible.
- IEEE 802.3 Ethernet standards support star-wired Local Area Network (LAN) designs using point-to-point links and structured cabling topologies.

4.8. **Transport and Network Layer Protocols:** Shall be TCP/UDP and IP, respectively.

- TCP/UDP and IP make up an open, standards-based protocol suite that allows Internet access and the seamless integration of Intranets, Extranets, VPNs, and LANs.

- IPv6 (Version 6) is the newest, accepted version of IP, which is designed as an evolutionary improvement from IPv4 (Version 4). IPv6 includes a transition mechanism designed to allow organizations to adopt and deploy IPv6 in an incremental, dispersed manner, while providing direct interoperability between IPv6 and IPv4 systems. IPv6 enhancements include QoS capabilities as well as the definition of extensions which provide support for security authentication, data integrity, and confidentiality.
- TCP/UDP and IP protocols facilitate, simplify, and standardize the protocols used to deliver e-government services.

4.9. **Network Devices (routers, switches, firewalls, access servers, etc.):** Shall be securely deployed in accordance with applicable statewide IT security standards, and manageable with Network Management platforms that use the most currently, approved, open, industry-standard versions³ of Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) and Remote Monitoring (RMON).

- SNMP and RMON facilitate the exchange of management information between network devices as well as network performance management, isolation and analysis of network problems, and growth planning.
- SNMP is an Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) standard defined by RFC 1157 and is part of the TCP/IP open standards-based protocol suite recommended for the transport and network protocol layers.
- Managed network devices help to ensure the continuous delivery of e-government services and internal budget unit business processes.

4.10. **Switching Technologies:** Shall be secure in accordance with applicable statewide IT security standards, and used to achieve LAN network device connectivity in Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Layers 2, 3, and 4. Switching devices shall comply with IEEE 802.1p/Q standards and IETF Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) to provide scalable, interoperable, IP quality of service (QoS).

- Switching enhances security and network management. It improves network performance by enabling the balancing of network traffic across multiple segments, thus reducing resource contention, providing for scalability, and increasing throughput capacity.
- IEEE 802.1p enables network traffic prioritization and the seamless integration of data, voice, and video into converged services.
- IEEE 802.1Q trunking support enables segmentation of individual data, voice, and video client platform devices into separate logical virtual networks (VLANs). IEEE 802.1Q VLAN tagging uniquely identifies traffic from each VLAN enabling traffic from multiple VLANs to share the same physical switch port link.
- MPLS is an IETF-specified framework that provides for designation, routing, forwarding, and switching of traffic flows through a network.

³ For the purposes of this statewide standard, “most currently approved” assumes widespread mainstream adoption and implementation by industry.

MPLS interfaces with other IETF routing protocols such as Open Shortest Path First (OSPF).

- 4.11. **Routing Technologies:** Shall be open, industry-standards-based for Internet and inter-network connectivity. Vendor-specific extensions to open, industry standard routing protocols used for budget unit inter-network connectivity shall be generally available for use and implementation by third party manufacturers, and should be in planned draft or draft form submittal to the appropriate standards approval body to avoid proprietary, single-source solutions. Routing technologies include the most currently approved versions of Open Shortest Path First (OSPF), Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), Routing Information Protocol (RIP), Integrated Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS), etc.
- Routing protocols provide the information needed to quickly and efficiently direct incoming IP traffic to the correct destination.
 - Routing technologies operate over a reliable transport protocol (TCP).
 - Extensions to standards-based routing protocols provide for both IPv6 and IPv4.
- 4.12. **Converged Services:** Networks, including LAN, WLAN, MAN, WMAN, shall accommodate secure connectivity, transmission, and the convergence of voice, video, and data application traffic. Secure transmission shall include VPN technology as well as boundary and end-point security as described in *Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security*. To accomplish convergence, networks shall differentiate and service the different types of traffic based on application requirements. Vendor-specific extensions to open, industry standards and protocols shall be generally available for use and implementation by third-party manufacturers, and should be in planned draft or draft form submittal to the appropriate standards approval body to avoid proprietary, single-source solutions.
- *Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security*, describes multi-layer protection, external connectivity to networks, both wire-based and wireless, as well as perimeter security technologies to provide for secure and seamless interconnection of communication networks and systems.
 - IP QoS functions provide effective, policy-based control for differentiated traffic flows.
 - Ethernet QoS functions based on IEEE 802.1p standards and IETF differentiated services (diffserv) protocol framework provide for use of interoperable, standards-based, network devices from multiple vendors.
 - Diffserv is scalable and deployable in the predominately “best-efforts” Internet. Diffserv enables end-to-end converged services to be provisioned across multiple, separate WANs. DiffServ is backwards compatible with IP Type of Service.
 - Real Time Protocol (RTP) and Real Time Control Protocol (RTCP) transport and manage the real-time transmission of multimedia data over network services. RTP runs on top of User Datagram Protocol (UDP).

- Resource Reservation Protocol (RSVP) provides a means for reserving network resources to provide guaranteed network services, primarily bandwidth, to guarantee that applications transmitting end-to-end across networks and the Internet will perform at the desired speed and quality. RSVP requires support in all intermediate network devices to provide end-to-end transport guarantees.
- 4.13. **Converged Services Client Platform Devices⁴**: shall be capable of accepting and processing voice, video, and data applications within a single, secure, client platform device⁵ using the most currently approved versions of open, industry-standards for signaling protocols, compression, and media stream. Vendor-specific extensions to open, industry standards and protocols utilized by client platform devices shall be generally available for use and implementation by third party manufacturers, and should be in planned draft or draft form submittal to the appropriate standards approval body to avoid proprietary, single-source solutions.
- Signaling protocols include the most currently approved versions of Session Initiation Protocol (SIP), H.323, and Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Primary Rate Interface (PRI) Protocol Q.931. SIP and H.323 use RTP to transport real-time transmission of multimedia data over network services.
 - Standard compression/decompression (codec) techniques, with their respective mean opinion scores (MOS), include G.711 – 4.3 MOS, G.729 – 4.0 MOS, G.723 3.8 MOS.
 - Transcoders are available to provide compression conversion between compression techniques such as G.711 to G.729 conversion.
- 4.14. **Inter-Network Transport Services**: Generally and commercially available transport services, commonly referred to as carrier services, shall incorporate open, secure, scalable, industry-standards-based, packetized services, such as Frame Relay, ATM, etc., providing end-to-end QoS capable of transporting voice, video, and data applications within a converged media stream. TDM-based, dedicated transport services, such as T1 digital carrier, ISDN, etc., shall be acceptable only as a transitional strategy to fully-packetized inter-network transport services.
- Open, industry-standards-based networks allow for end-to-end QoS to be provisioned across multiple provider-based networks and internal networks to accommodate converged voice, video, and data applications.
 - Converged services provide cost-effective, efficient transport bandwidth utilization and management to deliver voice, video, and data applications.

⁴ Converged client platform device specifications and requirements will be further detailed in *Statewide Standard P720-S720, Platform Infrastructure*.

⁵ *Statewide Standard P720-S720, Platform Infrastructure*, addresses operating system security requirements of client platform devices.

- 4.15. **Internet-Based Virtual Network Services:** Shall be securely designed and implemented to include VPN technology as well as boundary and end-point security as described in *Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security*.
- Virtual network services utilize the Internet and are inherently scalable and interoperable.
 - Virtual network services utilizing VPN technologies securely provide a consistent, client-browser interface to authorized users⁶ and deliver enterprise-wide network and software application services regardless of location.
 - Virtual networks are an important business continuity element that allows continuation of mission-critical functions and services, regardless of location.
- 4.16. **Network Interfaces:** Internal networks shall use “private,” unregistered Internet Protocol (IP) addresses, as reserved by the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) for network workstations and appliances. External networks communicating outside the budget unit shall use “public,” registered IP addresses for all external ports on internetworking devices.
- Network Address Translation (NAT) techniques deployed at network boundaries to the external network or Internet enable the widespread reuse of non-unique or unregistered IP addresses while still providing the required connectivity to applications and the external network or Internet.
 - “Private,” unregistered IP addresses provide additional security and protection of information and resources. NAT creates a firewall between the internal network and outside networks or the Internet by only allowing connections that originate inside the internal network.
 - “Private,” unregistered IP addresses provide flexibility and simplify the process of adding workstations and devices to networks.
 - To prevent duplication and resulting loss of connectivity, the organization responsible for network administration of a budget unit shall coordinate all “private,” unregistered IP addresses within their domain of responsibility.
 - The IANA has reserved three blocks of IP address space for “private” Internets (Network Working Group RFC 1918). The blocks are 10.0.0.0 to 10.255.255.255, 172.16.0.0 to 172.31.255.255, and 192.168.0.0 to 192.168.255.255. Any IP addresses outside of these spaces lack coordination with IANA or an Internet registry when used as unregistered IP addresses.
 - “Public,” registered IP addresses provide the required uniqueness for Internet and network integrity.
 - IANA provides coordination of all “public” IP address space.
- 4.17. **Internal Workstation Network IP Addresses:** Shall be assigned using Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP). DHCP address allocation may

⁶ An “authorized user” may be a software application system, a platform server, a service layer, or an individual user.

be (1) an automatic allocation where DHCP assigns a permanent IP address to the workstation; (2) manually allocated and assigned by the DHCP administrator; or (3) dynamically allocated where DHCP assigns an IP address to a workstation for a limited period of time (lease.)

- DHCP provides the flexibility needed for growth and migration of networks.
- DHCP facilitates and simplifies IP network administration and the addition of workstations and devices to networks.
- DHCP allows for central allocation and administration of IP addresses within a budget unit.

5. DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Refer to the Glossary of Terms located on the GITA website at http://www.gita.state.az.us/policies_standards for definitions and abbreviations.

6. REFERENCES

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- 6.2. A. R. S. § 41-1335 ((A (6 & 7))), “State Agency Information.”
- 6.3. A. R. S. § 41-1339 (A), “Depository of State Archives.”
- 6.4. A. R. S. § 41-1461, “Definitions.”
- 6.5. A. R. S. § 41-1463, “Discrimination; unlawful practices; definition”.
- 6.6. A. R. S. § 41-1492 et seq., “Prohibition of Discrimination by Public Entities.”
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- 6.13. Arizona Administrative Code, Title 2, Chapter 10, “Department of Administration Risk Management Section.”
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- 6.20. [Statewide Standard P100-S102, Platform Infrastructure](#).
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- 6.22. [Statewide Standard P800-S830, Network Security](#).
- 6.23. [Statewide Standard P800-S850, Encryption Technologies](#).

7. ATTACHMENTS

None.